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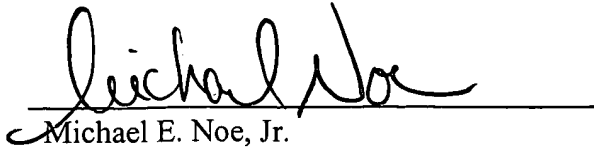
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FOR AUTOMATED  
INTERCONNECTION AND  
DISCONNECTION OF DISK DRIVE  
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No fees are believed to be necessary. Please charge any fees that may be necessary for prosecution of the present application to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0449.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Noe", is written over a horizontal line.

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